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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract paragraph beginning at page 76, line 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

ABSTRACT

The present invention is a method for producing an absorbent web having a dry feel when wet. In accordance with one embodiment of the present invention, an inherently hydorphilic basesheet is prepared. The basesheet may comprise papermaking fibers. The upper surface of the basesheet, wherein the basesheet has an upper surface and a lower surface, has elevated and depressed regions. Hydrophobic matter may be deposited preferentially on the elevated regions of the upper surface of the basesheet.